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| APPLICANTS: | Scott Costa et al. | § | ART UNIT: | 3676 |
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| SERIAL No.: | 10/511,410 | § | | |
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| FOR: | Protective Sleeve For | § | | |
| | Threaded Connections For | § | | |
| | Expandable Tubular Liner | § | CONFIRMATION No.: | 6688 |

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOLLOWING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION FILED 14 DECEMBER 2009**

Mail Stop Amendment
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Atty. Dkt. No.: 2725-10105
Date: January 18, 2010

Sir:

Before Applicants' Amendment and Request for Continued Examination dated 14 December 2009 is fully considered and examined, Applicants respectfully request the following preliminary amendment be entered for consideration:

Amendments to the Claims is reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.